The Tea Act:

The Reason for The Boston Tea Party

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When I was choosing my topic, I wanted to work on something about the Boston Tea Party. I decided to do the Tea Act because it was the main reason for the Boston Tea Party. Before I started researching, I didn’t know anything about the Tea Act.

In my project, I wanted to include when the act was passed, what it was, why it made the colonists so upset, how they reacted, and the result of the Tea Act. I used our class text book and the internet for my research. When I was researching, I found that the best resource was the internet because it gave me all the information I was looking for and pictures for my visual aid. The best website I used to get information was http://www.oldsouthmeetinghouse.org. When I was looking for information, I did have trouble understanding how it changed the colonies, but I figured it out later.

I decided to use a power point for my visual aid because it was able to hold all the information I was going to present about my topic and include pictures as well. The relationship with my objective and my visual aid was that it contained all the information that answered the objective on the slides of my power point. When I designed my power point, I probably took about 45 minutes to an hour to create and fill it with the information I needed on the Tea Act and to add pictures that related to the Tea Act.

Finally, my project relates to the unit theme Nationalism. On May 10, 1773, the British Parliament passed the Tea Act. It said that the colonists could only buy imported tea from the East India Company. The colonists were not very happy since they did not just want to buy tea from only one place, like many people today would not just want to eat at only a certain restaurant. Also, there was a tax on the tea from the East India Company and the colonists did not want to pay it because the money would go to Britain. So the colonists rebelled. They refused the tea from the ships and let it rot in the docks. The colonists would not let the British Parliament tell them who they can buy tea from, so on December 16, 1773 colonists dressed up as Indians and threw all the tea into the harbor which is now know as the Boston Tea Party.

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